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SUBJECT: EVACUATION OF BURN PATIENTS TO BROOK ARMY MEDICAL CENTER

REF: A) USDAO QUITO-GORGAS TELCON 4-8-75
B) USAFSO COMMAND SURGEON MARTINEZ AND ATTENDING PHYSICIAN TELCON 4-8-75

1. DURING CRASH OF ECUADOREAN AIRFORCE COMMANDER GENERAL MOREJON'S AIRCRAFT IN QUITO MARCH 31, TWO CIVILIANS ON THE GROUND SUSTAINED SERIOUS BURNS OVER 60-70 PERCENT OF THEIR BODY. DESPITE INTENSIVE TREATMENT AT QUITO VOS ANDES HOSPITAL, IT NOW CERTAIN FROM DOCTORS' DIAGNOSES THAT SURVIVAL WILL DEPEND ON FURTHER SPECIALIZED TREATMENT AT BROOK ARMY MEDICAL CENTER BURN FACILITY IN SAN ANTONIO. ECUADOREAN AIRFORCE WILL PICK UP THE COSTS. ECUADOREAN AIRFORCE CAN PROVIDE AIR TRANSPORTATION TO CZ TOMORROW (WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9) MORNING, BEGINNING AS SOON AS QUITO AIRPORT OPENS AT DAWN.

2. USDAO QUITO HAS ASKED USAFSO COMMAND SURGEON'S LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OFFICE BY TELEPHONE TO HOLD US AIRFORCE MED-EVAC AIRCRAFT

PENDING ARRIVAL FROM QUITO OF ECUADOREAN PATIENTS. REQUEST ON IMMEDIATE NIACT BASIS SEC AIRFORCE OR SEC ARMY-DESIGNEE STATUS TO PERMIT TREATMENT AT BROOK.

3. PATIENTS ARE LUIS BOADA BURBANO, AGE 21; AND NESTOR CARVAJAL, AGE 22. SYMPTOMS ARE 60-70 PERCENT SECOND AND THIRD DEGREE BURNS ALL OVER BODY INCLUDING ALL EXTREMITIES. INFECTION HAS SET IN DUE TO PROTUS AND PSEUDOMNA, BECAUSE OF TOXICITY OF BURNS, AS WELL AS FROM EXTERNAL INFECTION. NEUROLOGICAL SIGNS INCLUDE DISORIENTATION AND ANXIETY, PARTIAL AND TEMPORARY LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS. URINARY OUTPUT DESCRIBED AS NORMAL. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, BOADA ALSO HAS A FRACTURED LEG.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: APPROVAL BY SECDEF, SEC AIRFORCE OR SEC ARMY--AS APPROPRIATE--FOR TREATMENT OF PATIENTS AT BROOK ARMY MEDICAL CENTER. PLEASE CONVEY RESPONSE BY IMMEDIATE NIACT MESSAGE. HEMENWAY

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